

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 335

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 18 2021

RE: S.B. No. 376

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-First State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2021  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred S.B. No. 376 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NOISE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to prohibit the use, sale, alteration, or installation of loud motor vehicle mufflers.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that aftermarket mufflers can be excessively loud and are a major source of noise pollution which negatively affects the quality of life of residents. Most, if not all, vehicles come stock from the manufacturer with mufflers that emit noise at levels that are reasonable. Therefore, if an owner of a motor vehicle needs to replace their muffler there are options available that would not contribute to excessive noise pollution and disrupt the quality of life for other residents. This measure will prohibit the sale, installation, or modification of mufflers that emit more than ninety-five decibels of sound.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 376



and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Transportation,



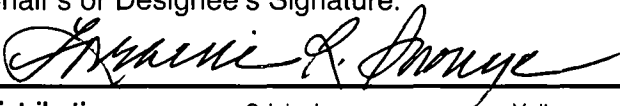
---

CHRIS LEE, Chair



The Senate  
Thirty-First Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Transportation**  
**TRS**

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:
SB 376	TRS, JDC	2/16/2021
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____		
The Recommendation is:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313		
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)
Nay	Excused	
LEE, Chris (C)	✓	
INOUE, Lorraine R. (VC)	✓	
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓	
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	✓	
FEVELLA, Kurt	✓	
<b>TOTAL</b>	5	
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted		
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 		
<b>Distribution:</b> Original     Yellow     Pink     Goldenrod File with Committee Report     Clerk's Office     Drafting Agency     Committee File Copy		

\*Only one measure per Record of Votes